

# COVER SHEET FOR AMENDMENT OF POST-TRAVEL SUBMISSION

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**Instructions:** Use this form as a cover sheet for any paperwork you may need to submit to the **Office of Public Records** in order to make your Privately Sponsored Post-Travel Submission complete in accordance with Rule 35. **Only complete this form if you need to submit an amendment to a post-travel filing you have already submitted.**

SUBMIT DIRECTLY TO THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC RECORDS IN 232 HART BUILDING

Name of Traveler: SARAH Bittlemann  
Employing Office/Committee: Sen. Ken Wyden  
Travel Expenses Paid by (List all sources): Exempt Jobs for the Future Comm.  
Travel Date(s): 8.28 - 30/2018 Joyce Foundation  
Description/Title of Attached Forms: Private Sponsor  
Travel Certification Form

Purpose of Amendment (describe the reason for amending original submission):  
didn't submit before  
by accident  
3 Forms + attachments = 4 pages

10.18.2018  
(Date)

Sarah Bittlemann  
(Signature of Traveler)

## PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should NOT submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): Jobs for the Future (JFF), Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation
2. Description of the trip: The Congressional Staff Network Site Visit to Detroit, MI to examine high quality and innovative education, workforce and poverty alleviation programs. See attachments for more detail.
3. Dates of travel: August 28, 2018 - August 30, 2018
4. Place of travel: Detroit, MI
5. Name and title of Senate invitees: See attachments for more detail.
6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:
  - ☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.
  - ~~OR~~
  - ☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) *(see question 9)*.
7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.

~~AND~~

☒ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I *certify* that:
  - ☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.
  - ~~AND~~
  - ☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment *(see question 9)*.



9. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B)**

I *certify* that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:

☐ (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip.

~~OR~~

☐ (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *on any segment* of the trip (*see questions 6 and 10*).

~~OR~~

☐ (C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.

10. **USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B)**

If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:

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11. ☒ An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I *certify* that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.

12. Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:

JFF, Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation select sites and topics around which to base site visits based on the quality of programming and their relationship to education, workforce development and poverty alleviation policy. See attachments for more detail.

13. Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:

See attachments for each sponsors mission and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission.

14. Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:

JFF has previously planned similar trips for the past 10 years. This year Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation are playing a substantive role in the planning and development of the site visit. See attachments for more detail.

15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

Each sponsor performs additional educational activities outside of sponsoring congressional trips. See attachments for more detail.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate	\$425.00 (see attachments for more detail)	\$258.00 (see attachments for more detail)	\$135.00 (see attachments for more details)	NONE
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts				

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

b) The trip involves events that are arranged or organized specifically with regard to Congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

JFF, Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation selected Detroit, MI for this visit. Due to the city's innovative strategies in addressing education, workforce and poverty policy. See attachments for more detail.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

The Siren Hotel: 1509 Broadway St. Detroit, MI 48226

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

The hotel is geographically convenient and offers government per diem rates.



21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

The lodging expenses will equal the government per diem rate for Detroit, MI in August. The meal expenses will be less than the government per diem rate for Detroit, MI in August.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Roundtrip coach class commercial airfare will be provided from DC to Detroit. In addition, a chartered coach class bus service is reserved for two days of ground transportation. See attachments for more detail.

23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

NONE

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you *must* include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor):

Signature of Travel Sponsor:

*Maria K. Flynn*

Name and Title: Maria Flynn, President/CEO

Name of Organization: Jobs for the Future (JFF)

Address: 122 C st NW Washington, DC 20001

Telephone Number: 617-728-4446

Fax Number:

E-mail Address: mflynn@jff.org

**PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM**  
**SIGNATURE PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL SPONSOR**  
*(to be completed by each additional sponsor)*

I hereby *certify* that the information contained on pages 1-4 of the certification form and any accompanying addenda, all submitted in connection with the 8/28/18 - 8/30/18 trip  
to Detroit, MI is true, oomplete, and correct.  
*Place of Travel* *Dates of Travel (Month, Day, Year)*

Signature of Travel Sponsor: Danette Howard  
Name and Title: Danette Howard, Ph.D., Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer  
Name of Organization: Lumina Foundation  
Address: 30 S Meridian St. Suite #700 Indianapolis, IN 46204  
Telephone Number: 800-834-5756  
Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: dhoward@luminafoundation.org

**PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM**  
**SIGNATURE PAGE FOR ADDITIONAL SPONSOR**  
*(to be completed by each additional sponsor)*

Thereby certify that the information contained on pages 1-4 of the certification form and any accompanying addenda, all submitted in connection with the August 28, 2018 - August 30, 2018 trip  
to Detroit, MI is true, complete, and correct.  
*Place of Travel*

Signature of Travel Sponsor: Ellen Alberding

Name and Title: Ellen Alberding, President

Name of Organization: The Joyce Foundation

Address: 321 North Clark St. Suite #1500 Chicago, IL 60654

Telephone Number: 312-782-2464

Fax Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: swilkins@joycefdn.org



## **Attachments**

### **Congressional Staff Network for Workforce and Economic Security Issues August 28 – 30, 2018 Site Visit Detroit, MI**

#### **Question #2 Description of the Trip:**

The Congressional Staff Network brings together a bicameral, bipartisan group of senior Congressional staff to focus on policy issues at the core of economic mobility: K-12 education, postsecondary education, workforce development, and poverty alleviation. The purpose of this trip is to examine high quality and innovative education and workforce training programs that focus on the economic needs of the city, its employers and its people. Staff will see innovative programs that meet the skill needs of the region's critical industries, talk with students, teachers, state and local officials and employers who are involved in the development and in carrying out these programs.

#### **Question #5 Senate Staff:**

Jake Baker, Professional Staff, Senate HELP Committee

Mary Barry, Policy Advisor, Senate HELP Committee

Laura Berntsen, Domestic Policy Advisor, Senate Finance Committee

Sarah Bittleman, Legislative Director, Office of Senator Wyden

Kelly Brown, Professional Staff, Senate Committee on Appropriations

Dianne Browning, Professional Staff Member, Office of Senator Hatch

Manuel Contreras, Legislative Aide, Senate HELP Committee

Katherine McClelland, Workforce and Education Policy Advisor, Senate HELP Committee

Devin Parsons, Legislative Aide, Office of Senator Bennet

Cortney Segmen, Legislative Fellow, Office of Senator Kaine

Brittany Weaver, Legislative Assistant, Office of Senator Hassan

#### **Question #12 Role of Sponsor:**

Jobs for the Future (JFF), Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation work together to select sites and topics of interest around which to base site visits and forums, considering congressional staff interest, the quality of programming, and whether or not these programs have a relationship to workforce development and education policy. The sponsors develop and execute the agenda and arrange logistics for the trip. JFF serves as the point of contact for staff.



**Question #13 Mission of Sponsors:**

JFF's mission is the development of education, training and supportive programs and policies that expand opportunities for low income and disconnected youth and adults to attain the education, training and credentials necessary to find good jobs and family sustaining careers; Lumina Foundation's mission is the commitment to making opportunities for learning beyond high school available to all, envisioning a system that is easy to navigate, delivers fair results, and meets the nation's need for talent through a broad range of credentials; and The Joyce Foundation's mission is investments in public policies and strategies to advance racial equity and economic mobility for the next generation. All three sponsors work is informed by research, analysis, and best practice. JFF, Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation's mission supports the purpose of the trip, learning and highlighting programs that expand opportunities for all through education, workforce development and poverty alleviation policy.

**Question #14 History of Sponsor:** JFF has previously sponsored Congressional Staff trips and events for the past 10 years. Examples of this work includes the following: held numerous DC-based local forums and conducted multiple site visits where senior congressional staff have the opportunity to see high quality workforce programs and learn from experts and practitioners on the ground, about the impact of federal policy in their fields of responsibility. Visits have included programs in: Charlotte, NC; Bridgeport, CT; Cincinnati, OH; Madison, WI; Philadelphia, PA; Detroit, MI, Wichita, KS, Nashville, TN, Seattle, WA, Eastern KY and Fredericksburg, VA. The purpose of these trips (and the Network) is to provide in-depth learning opportunities for staff on workforce, education, and economic security issues. This year Lumina Foundation and The Joyce Foundation have become sponsors, playing a substantive role in the planning and development of the Congressional Staff Network site visit.

**Question #15 Other Educational Activities of Sponsor:**

JFF works with partners around the country to design and drive the adoption of education and career pathways leading to college, career readiness and career advancements for those struggling to succeed in today's economy. JFF improves pathways from high school to college to family-sustaining careers through relevant technical assistance, research, publication of reports, briefs and blogs and hosting events, including national conferences. Lumina Foundation is working with partners to bring greater transparency to all credentials and better serve underrepresented communities through; robust communication - providing daily newsletters to the public which highlight Lumina's recent publications as well as other publications that are relevant to their mission and Lumina funds projects that research and implement (through technical assistance) best practices around education, training and overall skill development throughout the nation. Lumina Foundation's work supports smoother student transitions and creative, flexible pathways for all learners. The Joyce Foundation supports policy research, development and advocacy - identifying innovative solutions and investing in their success. Through this work, The Joyce Foundation: funds organizations that focus on education and economic mobility, convenes coalitions focused on a specific education or workforce strategy and promotes findings through distribution of materials (i.e. policy briefs or reports).

**Question #16 Good Faith Estimates for Senate Staff Travel and Meal Expenses:**

**Transportation:** Round trip coach class commercial airfare from DCA (DC) → DTW (Detroit) = \$350.00 per person. On the ground transportation, via chartered coach class bus service for two days in Detroit = \$75.00 per person. Total transportation expenses = \$425.00 per person.

**Lodging:** Lodging at the Siren hotel = \$126.00 per night x 2 nights = **\$258.00 per person.**

**Meals:** Meals for three days of travel = **\$135.00 per person.**

**Question #18 Reason for Selecting Location:**

The sponsors selected Detroit, Michigan for this site visit because of the revitalization of the city and economy and their serious approach to equity. Detroit has undergone significant changes in the past decade, now the city is rebuilding, not only physically but it's economy. This visit will highlight Detroit's commitment to innovative K-12, post-secondary and workforce models that promote skill development and poverty alleviation. The visit will shed light on implications for K-12, higher education and workforce development policy, specifically on: CTE, Pre-apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs, career pathway approaches and strategies for supporting today's most vulnerable learners.